

Agency 045

Supreme Court**Recommendation Summary**

Dollars in Thousands

	Annual FTEs	General Fund State	Other Funds	Total Funds
2003-05 Expenditure Authority	61.9	11,339		11,339
Total Maintenance Level	61.9	11,851		11,851
Difference		512		512
Percent Change from Current Biennium	0.0%	4.5%		4.5%
Performance Changes				
Law Clerk and Staff Attorney Reclassification		327		327
Supreme Court Reclassification		113		113
Reclassify Assistant Editor		11		11
Editorial Assistant	.5	47		47
Access to Justice		600		600
Subtotal	0.5	1,098		1,098
Total Proposed Budget	62.4	12,949		12,949
Difference	.5	1,610		1,610
Percent Change from Current Biennium	0.8%	14.2%		14.2%
Total Proposed Budget by Activity				
Adjudication for State Courts	62.4	12,949		12,949
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PERFORMANCE LEVEL CHANGE DESCRIPTIONS**Law Clerk and Staff Attorney Reclassification**

This item provides funding to implement the salary survey recommendations made by the Supreme Court's Personnel Committee.

Supreme Court Reclassification

Funding is needed to implement salary adjustments currently under consideration for selected Supreme Court employees.

Reclassify Assistant Editor

In the Office of Reporter of Decisions, the Assistant Editor's job duties have been expanded to include supervision of office staff. Because of these expanded duties, funding is needed to reclassify this position to that of Senior Editor.

Editorial Assistant

A new half-time position of Editorial Assistant will be created within the Office of Reporter of Decisions to help process a volume of work that, on a per-employee basis, has increased by 37 percent since 1995.

Access to Justice

Funding is provided to support Washington State's system for providing civil legal aid services to low and moderate income people.

JUDICIAL

ACTIVITY DESCRIPTIONS

Adjudication for State Courts

The Supreme Court is the final rule-making body for all other state courts. It administers the state court system and supervises certain activities of the Washington State Bar Association, including attorney discipline. The Court hears and rules upon cases argued on the appeal calendar, and reviews all cases in which the death penalty has been imposed.